

# **Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Services Division

<u>SF 173</u> – Education Funding Supplemental for FY 2016 (LSB2184SV.1)

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Fiscal Note Version – Update based on House Education Committee amendment H-1009 to SF 171

### **Description**

Senate File 173 provides additional property tax relief based on the per pupil increase that results from the establishment of the State percent of growth in FY 2016. The Bill requires the additional levy portion of the FY 2016 State cost per pupil amount to be frozen at \$750 per pupil, regardless of the per pupil increase for FY 2016. Without enactment of this provision, the increase in the FY 2016 State cost per pupil due to the State percent of growth will include a per pupil property tax increase equivalent to 1/8th (12.5%) of the total per pupil increase.

# **Background**

Enactment of HF 215 (2013 Education Reform Act) included the creation of the property tax replacement payment (PTRP) provision to replace local property tax amounts with State aid. The provision froze the additional levy portion of the State cost per pupil in FY 2014 and FY 2015 at \$750. Based on the State percent of growth enacted for those fiscal years (2.0% in FY 2014 and 4.0% in FY 2015), this provision resulted in per pupil property tax relief of \$15/pupil in FY 2014 and another \$31/pupil in FY 2015. This provision also required these per pupil property tax relief provisions for FY 2014 and FY 2015 to carry forward in future fiscal years, resulting in per pupil property tax relief totaling \$46/pupil beginning in FY 2015. Enactment of SF 173 and will maintain a freeze of the additional levy portion of the State cost per pupil at \$750 in FY 2016. The per pupil property tax relief amount will be based on the State percent of growth enacted for FY 2016. The following table provides detail regarding the State cost per pupil funding levels as provided by a 1.25% growth rate for FY 2016 in SF 171 (School Supplemental State Aid, State Percent of Growth FY 2016) as amended by H-1009 and a 4.0% growth rate for FY 2016 in SF 171 (School Supplemental State Aid, State Percent of Growth FY 2016) as passed by the Senate.

	FY 2016 State Cost Per Pupil Amounts Based on SF 171 and SF 171 as amended by H-1009					
	FY 2015		FY 2016 1.25%		FY 2016 4.00%	
State Cost Per Pupil (SCPP):	\$	6,366	\$	6,446	\$	6,621
87.5% Foundation Level (FL):		5,570		5,640		5,793
Previous Enacted PTRP Amount:		46		46		46
Additional Levy Portion:		750		760		782
Additional Per	Pupil P	Property Tax	<b>x</b> \$	10	\$	32
Total Per Pupil P	Property	/ Tax Relief	: \$	56	\$	78

Enactment of <u>SF 173</u> will provide additional property tax relief of \$10/pupil for FY 2016 at the 1.25% State percent of growth provided in <u>SF 171</u> as amended by <u>H-1009</u>. <u>Senate File 171</u> as passed by the Senate will provide additional property tax relief of \$32/pupil for FY 2016 at 4.0% State percent of growth.

## **Assumptions**

Estimates are based on October 2014 certified enrollments and weighting and enrollment projections for October 2015.

# **Fiscal Impact**

The estimated fiscal impact of <u>SF 173</u> will be an increase in the State General Fund expenditures of \$5.6 million in FY 2016 at 1.25% and \$17.8 million in FY 2016 at 4.0% State percent of growth compared to current law.

FY 2016 General Fund Expenditure Increase for Property Tax Replacement Payments (PTRP) Based on SF 171 and SF 171 as amended by H-1009 (Millions of Dollars)						
	FY 2016 1.25%		FY 2016 4.00%			
Total Current Law PTRP Amount	\$	25.4	\$	25.4		
Total PTRP Amount		31.1		43.3		
Estimated Impact	\$	5.6	\$	17.8		

#### **Sources**

Iowa Department of Education, Certified Enrollment file Iowa Department of Management, School Aid file LSA analysis and calculations

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The fiscal note for this bill was prepared pursuant to <u>Joint Rule 17</u> and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.